

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

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Julie Kellogg Willenbring and  
Glenn Brian Willenbring,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE ORDER

City of Breezy Point, et al.,

Defendants.

Civ. No. 08-4760 (MJD/LIB)

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Pursuant to instructions by the Hon. Chief Judge Michael J. Davis, a Settlement Conference in the above-entitled matter is set for **Wednesday, December 1, 2010, at 1:30 o'clock p.m.**, before Magistrate Judge Leo I. Brisbois, in Court Room No. 3, Gerald W. Heaney Federal Building and United States Courthouse and Customhouse, 515 W. First St., Duluth, Minnesota.

Counsel who will actually try the case and each party, armed with full settlement discretion, shall be present in person. If individuals are parties to this case, they shall also be present. If a corporation or other collective entity is a party, a duly authorized officer or managing agent of that party shall be present. This means that each party must attend through a person who has the power to change that party's settlement posture during the course of the conference. If the party representative has a limit, or "cap" on his or her authority, this requirement is not satisfied. If an insurance company is involved, the responsible agent must be present in person.

The parties shall note that the Settlement Conference will not be terminated to accommodate any travel plans. If needed, hotel reservations should be made in advance of the Conference to accommodate continuing settlement efforts that extend past the usual business hours.

In order to encourage the parties to address the issue of settlement on their own, counsel for all parties must confer in person at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the Settlement Conference, to engage in a full and frank discussion of settlement. If the case does not settle, each attorney shall submit to the undersigned, at least one (1) week before the date of the Settlement Conference, a confidential letter setting forth the parties' respective settlement positions before the meeting, their respective positions following the meeting and a reasoned, itemized analysis justifying their client's last stated settlement position. **This letter shall be submitted to the undersigned by e:mail to the following address: [brisbois\\_chambers@mnd.uscourts.gov](mailto:brisbois_chambers@mnd.uscourts.gov).** Failure of any lawyer to submit this letter will result in the Settlement Conference being rescheduled and the imposition of an appropriate sanction on the attorney whose failure caused the Conference to be postponed. Additional sanctions may be imposed for failure to comply with any of the other foregoing instructions.

DATED: September 21, 2010

  
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Leo. I. Brisbois  
U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE